

The Historie of

VVhat with our helpe, what with the absent King,
VVhat with the iniuries of a wanton time,
The seeming sufferances that you had borne
And the contrarious winds that held the King,
So long in his vnluckie Irish warres,
That all in England did repute him dead,
And from this swarme of faire aduantages,
You tooke occasion to be quickly wooed,
To gripe the generall sway into your hand,
Forgot your oath to vs at Dancaster,
And being fed by vs, you vs'd vs so,
As that vngentle gull the Cuckowes bird
Vseth the sparrow, did oppresse our nest,
Grew by our feeding to so great a bulke,
That euen our loue durst not come neere your sight,
For feare of swallowing; but with nimble wing
We were enforst for safety sake, to flie
Out of your sight, and raise this present head,
VVhereby we stand opposed by such meanes
As you your selfe haue forg'd against your selfe,
By vnkind vsage, dangerous countenance,
And violation of all faith and troth
Sworne to vs in your yonger enterprise.

King. These thinges indeed you haue articulate
Proclaimed at Market crosses, read in Churches
To face the garment of rebellion,
With some fine colour that may please the eye
Of fickle changelinges and poore discontents
VVhich gape and rub the elbow at the newes,
Of hurly burly innoation,
And neuer yet did insurrection want
Such water colours, to impaint his cause,
Nor moody beggars, staruing for a time,
Of pell mell hauocke and confusion.

Prin. In both your armies, there is many a soule
Shall pay full dearly for this encounter,
If once they ioine in triall, tell your Nephew
The Prince of VVales doth ioine with all the world.

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In prayse of Henry Percy: by
This present enterprise set of
I do not thinke a brauer Gent
More actiue, more valiant, or
More daring, or more bold, is
To grace this latter age with
For my part, I may speake it t
I haue a trewant beene to chi
And so I heare he doth accou
Yet this before my Fathers M
I am content that he shall take
Of his great name and estima
And will, to saue the blood o
Trie fortune with him in ling

King. And Prince of Wales
Albeit, considerations infinit
Do make against it: No good
We loue our people well, euen
That are misled vpon your c
And will they take the offer o
Both he and they, and you, y
Shall be my friend againe, and
So tell your coosin, and bring
What he will do But if he wil
Rebuke and dread correction
And they shall do their office
We will not now be troubled
VVe offer faire, take it aduise

Prin. It will not be accepted
The Dowglas and the Hotsp
Are confident against the wo

King. Hence therefore eue
For on their answere will we
And God befriend vs as our

Fal. Hal, if thou see me down
And bestride me, so, tis a poi

Prin. Nothing but a Colo
Say thy prayers, and farewell